

# RIVER RUN

## Young River People's Council



### YRPC INAUGURATION

At the beginning of this year we held our Inauguration at the Justice Center at sunset. Judge Achin swore us in as we were surrounded by our families, friends, Members of Council and OCLA staff. We want to thank Councilwoman Enos, Councilwoman Grey and Councilman Largo for their inspiring words. We look forward to another productive year of learning and growing together.

- Caleb Dash



### MEETING CONGRESSMAN TOM O'HALLERAN (CD-1)

I attended a meeting with President Harvier and I got to meet Congressman O'Halleran along with other elected officials. I let them know that our youth council will be active in the 2020 Census and Get Out The Vote. Although I was nervous, I'm thankful for this opportunity.

- Eric Schurz Jr.



## LEGISLATIVE DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL

Earlier this month, President Lopez, Teegan Smith and I were able to attend the 25th Annual Tribal Legislative Day at the Capitol. Although this was my third year attending, I feel as though I was able to learn and absorb a lot more. I spent the morning shadowing President Harvier and I was able to see how our community interacts with the state. Our community seems to be doing well and we have good connections at the state level. It was a great learning experience for myself and I recommend we send youth again next year. Thank you to President Harvier for allowing me to shadow him.

- Nalani Lopez



## LEADERSHIP DAY AT THE TALKING STICK RESORT ARENA

The YRPC was invited to attend the Phoenix Indian Center's Leadership day at the Talking Stick Resort Arena. During the event we listened to motivational speakers and met other youth. We learned new ice breakers and played traditional games from other Tribes. I had fun and enjoyed learning new things. I want to thank the FINAL Youth Council for hosting the event.

- Teegan Smith



## UNITY FOCUS GROUP

The YRPC and other youth councils in Arizona gathered together in the Round House Cafe for Regional Training. We split into different groups to talk about things we like and dislike about our community. Then we brainstormed on how we can improve our community. One person from each group went up to present our solutions.

- Damien Escovedo

## Upcoming Events

- **Feb. 1st**- Bird Count with EPNR
- **Feb. 5th**- Quarterly Presentation to Council
- **Feb. 6th**- Executive Meeting 4pm at two waters
- **Feb. 6th**- YRPC Meeting 5pm at Two Waters
- **Feb. 10-13th**- National Congress of American Indians
- **Feb. 14-17th**- Mid-year UNITY Conference
- **Feb. 21st**- USS AZ Memorial Event
- **Feb. 22nd**- Executive Meeting 10am at Two Waters
- **Feb. 22nd**- YRPC Meeting 11am at Two Waters



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